

## House Resolution No.

**Whereas**, it is with distinct pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse daily endeavors in order to recognize those visitors to the Show-Me State who have made admirable contributions to local schools, communities, and neighborhoods during their stay; and

**Whereas**, Natascha Wegelin has attained distinction as an exchange student from Dortmund, Germany, who attended Raymore-Peculiar High School during the 2002-2003 school year; and

**Whereas**, a soccer player since the age of seven, Natascha Wegelin continued to grow and mature in her chosen sport by serving as a middlefielder for the Ray-Pec Panthers; and

**Whereas**, thanks in large measure to the unparalleled efforts of Natascha Wegelin, the Panthers are undefeated in Conference play and hopeful for a chance to demonstrate their skills at the state level of competition; and

**Whereas**, Natascha Wegelin has been pleasantly surprised at some of the characteristics of soccer in America, including the presence of school teams instead of club teams, the high quality of the Ray-Pec coaching staff which included Brett Pummill and Jeff Lasswell, and the genuine camaraderie which is evident between players; and

**Whereas**, Natascha Wegelin will be able to take with her to Germany fond memories of such experiences as prom, high school graduation ceremonies, participating in the Belton Celebration Singers, touring the midwestern United States, winter snowboarding in Colorado, and even severe spring weather and resultant tornado warnings; and

**Whereas**, Natascha Wegelin was hosted in Missouri by Joyce Connaway, an international exchange coordinator for the area:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the numerous successes garnered by Natascha Wegelin during her year in the state of Missouri and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of her willingness to venture far away from home in pursuit of educational opportunities and challenges and our sincerest best wishes as she returns to her homeland of Germany, her loving family, and her many friends and classmates; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Natascha Wegelin, as an expression of our esteem for her and her obvious potential in life.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian Baker  
District No. 123

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker